

***Amendments***

Kindly enter the following amendments.

***In the Specification:***

Please substitute the paragraph beginning on page 1, line 10, with the following paragraph:

This application is a divisional of U.S. Application No. 09/241,606, filed on February 2, 1999, which is a continuation-in-part of Application Serial No. 09/148,503, filed on September 4, 1998, which claims priority to U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/057,655, filed on September 5, 1997, and U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/093,297, filed on July 17, 1998, all of which are herein incorporated by reference.

***In the Claims:***

Please cancel claims 51-64 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please substitute the following claim 10 for the pending claim 10:

10. (once amended) The anti-LRP-A $\beta$  peptide of claim 8, wherein said linker comprises 1-20 glycine residues.

(Please substitute the following claim 11 for the pending claim 11)

11. (once amended) A nucleic acid comprising a polynucleotide encoding the anti-LRP-A $\beta$  peptide of claims 4, 5, or 6.

Please substitute the following claim 20 for the pending claim 20:

20. (once amended) A nucleic acid molecule comprising, a polynucleotide having at least 95% homology to the nucleic acid molecule of claims 15, 16, or 17.